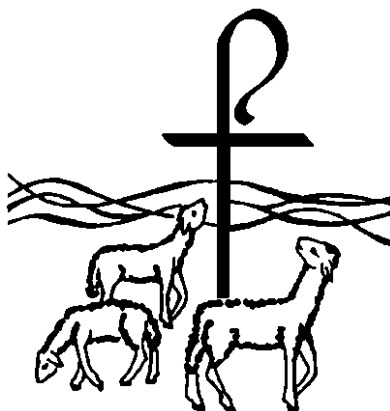




FOR IT IS BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED,  
THROUGH FAITH—AND THIS NOT FROM  
YOURSELVES, IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD.  
*EPH 2:8-9*

**August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

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## **Have No Fear, Little Flock**

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**Welcome!** We are glad you are here with us today. Our service today follows an order of worship which places the spotlight on God's Word and its central message of peace through Jesus. You can follow the outline of the service in this worship folder. The hymn numbers refer to the red hymnal: Christian Worship (CW) or the blue hymnal: Christian Worship Supplement (CWS).

**Restrooms:** The women's and men's restrooms are located in the Gathering Room (lobby) of the church. There are additional restrooms located in the Fellowship Hall.

**Cry Room:** We do not mind a fussy child or an instructing parent. But for parents who would like a quiet place to be with their child, we have a cry room with a one-way window into the sanctuary. The entrance is located in the Gathering Room. The worship audio can be heard in this room.

**Prayer Requests:** If you have a special prayer you would like included in today's Prayer of the Church, please fill out the prayer request form on the small table in the Gathering Room.

**Holy Communion:** We offer classes (Basic Bible Christianity) for those desiring to take the sacrament. If you are a newcomer, please take these classes before communing or speak with our pastor.



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## ORDER OF SERVICE: WORD & SACRAMENT

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**HYMN..... What Is the World to Me? (CW #477)**

*STAND*

**M:** The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

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## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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**M:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**C:** **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**



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# PRAYER AND PRAISE

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## LORD, HAVE MERCY (*KYRIE*)

**M:** For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer\_\_ cy.

**M:** For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer\_\_ cy.

**M:** For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer\_\_ cy.

**M:** Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A\_\_\_\_\_ men.

**M:** The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise:

## O LORD, OUR LORD

4 O Lord, our Lord, how glo rious is your name in all the earth. Al might y

7 God, mer ci ful Fa ther, you crown our life with\_\_ your

9 love. You take a way our sin; you com fort our spir it; you make us pure

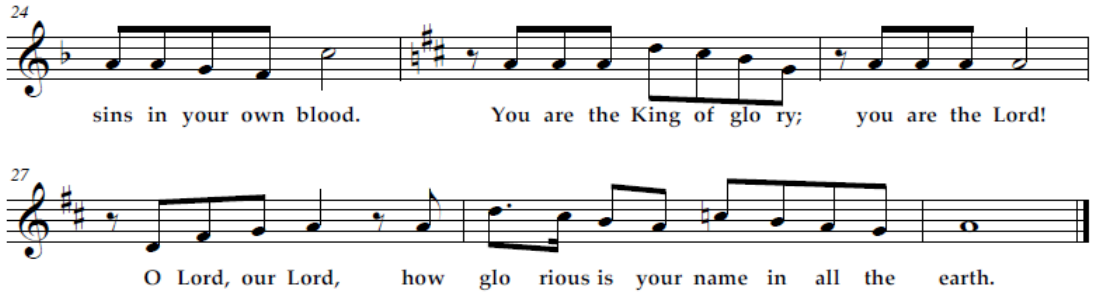
12 and ho ly in your sight. — You did not spare your on ly Son, but gave him up

16 for us all. O Lord, our Lord, how glo rious is your name in all the earth.

19 — O Son of God, e ter nal Word of the Fa ther, you came to live with

22 us; you made your Fa ther known; you washed us from our

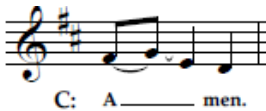
The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of seven lines of music, each corresponding to a line of lyrics. The lyrics are: 'O LORD, OUR LORD' followed by 'The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise:'. The score includes various musical notations such as eighth notes, quarter notes, and rests, with some lyrics split across lines. The first line of music starts with a measure rest (indicated by a '4' above the staff) and ends with a double bar line. The second line of music starts with a measure rest (indicated by a '7' above the staff) and ends with a double bar line. The third line of music starts with a measure rest (indicated by a '9' above the staff) and ends with a double bar line. The fourth line of music starts with a measure rest (indicated by a '12' above the staff) and ends with a double bar line. The fifth line of music starts with a measure rest (indicated by a '16' above the staff) and ends with a double bar line. The sixth line of music starts with a measure rest (indicated by a '19' above the staff) and ends with a double bar line. The seventh line of music starts with a measure rest (indicated by a '22' above the staff) and ends with a double bar line.



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A ——— men.

BE SEATED

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# THE WORD OF GOD

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## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### FIRST LESSON.....Genesis 15:1-6

After this, the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward."<sup>2</sup> But Abram said, "O Sovereign LORD, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?"<sup>3</sup> And Abram said, "You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir."<sup>4</sup> Then the word of the LORD came to him: "This man will not be your heir, but a son coming from your own body will be your heir."<sup>5</sup> He took him outside and said, "Look up at the heavens and count the stars-- if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be."<sup>6</sup> Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

PSALM OF THE DAY.....Psalm 33



The earth is full of the good ness of God, the good ness of our God.



**M:** Sing joyfully to the LORD, you 'righteous \*

**C:** it is fitting for the upright to 'praise him.

**M:** For the Word of the LORD is 'right and true; \*

**C:** he is faithful in 'all he does.

**M:** By the word of the LORD were the 'heavens made, \*

**C:** their starry host by the breath 'of his mouth.

**M:** For he spoke, and it 'came to be; \*

**C:** he commanded, and 'it stood firm.

*Refrain*

**M:** The LORD foils the plans of the 'nations; \*

**C:** he thwarts the purposes of the 'peoples.

**M:** But the plans of the LORD stand firm for'ever, \*

**C:** the purposes of his heart through all gene'rations.

**M:** The LORD loves righteousness and 'justice; \*

**C:** the earth is full of his un'failing love.

**Glory be to the Father and 'to the Son \***

**and to the Holy 'Spirit,**

**as it was in the be'ginning, \***

**is now, and will be forever. 'Amen.**

*Refrain*

SECOND LESSON.....Revelation 3:1-6

*"To the angel of the church in Sardis write: These are the words of him who holds the seven spirits of God and the seven stars. I know your deeds; you have a reputation of being alive, but you are dead. <sup>2</sup> Wake up! Strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your deeds complete in the sight of my God. <sup>3</sup> Remember, therefore, what you have*

received and heard; obey it, and repent. But if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what time I will come to you.<sup>4</sup> Yet you have a few people in Sardis who have not soiled their clothes. They will walk with me, dressed in white, for they are worthy.<sup>5</sup> He who overcomes will, like them, be dressed in white. I will never blot out his name from the book of life, but will acknowledge his name before my Father and his angels.<sup>6</sup> He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.

THE VERSE OF THE DAY



Al le lu ia! Al le lu ia! Al le lu ia! These words are  
writ ten that we may be lieve that Je sus is the Christ, the  
Son God. Al le lu ia! Al le lu ia! Al le lu ia!

GOSPEL.....Luke 12:32-40

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.<sup>33</sup> Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will not be exhausted, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys.<sup>34</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.<sup>35</sup> "Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning,<sup>36</sup> like men waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him.<sup>37</sup> It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes. I tell you the truth, he will dress himself to serve, will have them recline at the table and will come and wait on them.<sup>38</sup> It will be good for those servants whose master finds them ready, even if he comes in the second or third watch of the night.<sup>39</sup> But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into.<sup>40</sup> You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him."

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C: Praise — be to you, O Christ!



**HYMN OF THE DAY.....Where Your Treasure Is (CW #757)**  
**SERMON.....Luke 12:32-40**

*“Have No Fear Little Flock”*

**CONFESSION OF FAITH: NICENE CREED**

**C:       We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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**THANKSGIVING**

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**OFFERING**

*The members of Cross of Glory are happy to support its ministry with their financial gifts. If you are visiting us today, do not feel obligated to give an offering.*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**M:** Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

**C:** **Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.**

**M:** Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

**C:** **Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

**M:** **Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.**

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C:** **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C:** **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

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# THE SACRAMENT

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**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al so with you.

**M:** Lift up your hearts.



**C:** We lift them up to the Lord.

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

**M:** Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory forever and ever.

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*SANCTUS*)

C: Ho ly, ho ly, ho ly is the Lord of hosts. The whole  
earth is full of your glo ry. You are my God and  
I will ex alt you. I will give you thanks for you have be come my sal  
va tion. Ho ly, ho ly, ho ly is the Lord of hosts. The whole  
earth is full of your glo ry.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*AGNUS DEI*)

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on—

us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have

mercy on— us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the

sin of the world; grant us your peace. A— men.

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CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

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**M:** Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

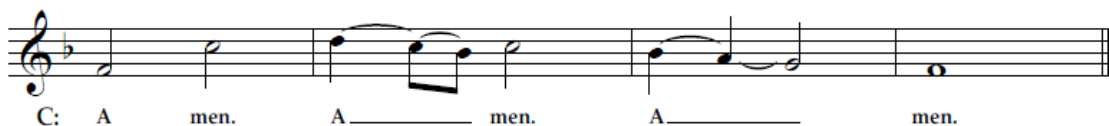
C: A— men.

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.



**CLOSING HYMN.....Have No Fear, Little Flock (CW #442)**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **MEASURE OF LOVE**

Last Sunday's Attendance: Worship -30; Communion - 24.

Offerings to the Lord: General Fund - \$1495.

### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

Sunday (8/14): 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion

### **CROSS OF GLORY BOOK CLUB - SATURDAY, September 24<sup>TH</sup>**



The Cross of Glory Book Club will be having its next meeting at the Johnsons' house on Saturday, September 24th starting at 6:00 p.m. We will be discussing the book The Girl on the Train by Paula Hawkins. All are welcome. If you plan on attending, please speak with Christy Johnson.